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Applicant(s): Robert B. Odell, et al.

Serial No.: 09/897,309 ✓ Group Art Unit: 3721

Filed: July 2, 2001 Examiner: Louis K. Huynh

For: Method Of Manufacturing, Filling And Packaging Medical Devices

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT RESPONSIVE TO JUNE 18, 2002 OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit this amendment in response to an Office Action mailed on June 18, 2002 (the "Office Action"). Also filed concurrently herewith is a Petition For Extension of Time by which applicants request a two (2) month extension to respond to the Office Action. Consequently, a response to the Office Action is due no later than November 18, 2002. Thus, applicants respectfully submit that this response is being timely filed.

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TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

Transmitted herewith is:

- 1.) Amendment Responsive to June 18, 2002 Office Action
- 2.) Petition For Extension Of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a)
- 3.) Terminal Disclaimer In Compliance With 37 CFR 1.321(c)
- 4.) Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b)
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in the above identified application.

No additional fee is required.

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